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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe that I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below), or the below named inventors are the original, first, and joint inventors (if more than one name is listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "STAIN BLOCKING WATER BORNE COATING COMPOSITION", the specification of which was filed on January 21, 2005 as international patent application serial number **PCT/EP2005/000697**, which was filed as a § 371 national phase application in the United States Patent & Trademark Office on July 21, 2006, that was assigned Serial No. 10/586,994.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

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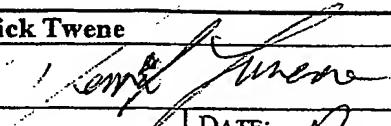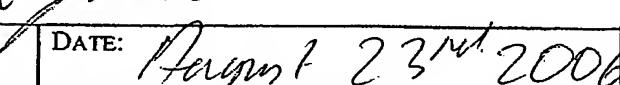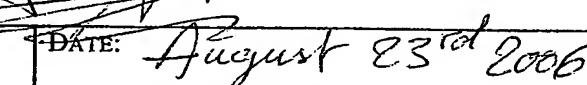
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